

Contacts and Information:



The government agencies and organizations listed on the following pages can provide you with assistance and information on a variety of drinking water issues. For specific numbers of local government offices or other organizations in your area, consult your telephone directory or call your telephone operator.

Publications are listed by topic and can be obtained by contacting the organization specified. All publications are available free of charge except where indicated.

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American Water Works Assn.
6666 West Quincy Ave.
Denver, CO 80235-3098
Phone: (303) 347-6284
FAX: (303) 794-7310
Web: <http://www.awwa.org>
Assistance and information on a wide variety of water quality issues

CONCERN, Inc.
1794 Columbia Road, NW
Washington, DC 20009
Phone: (202) 328-8160
Information on community involvement in drinking water protection

Cook College
Theodore B. Shelton, Ph.D.
Extension Specialist in Water Resource Management
PO Box 231
New Brunswick, NJ 08903-0231
Phone: (732) 932-8264
FAX: (732) 932-8746
Email: shelton@aesop.rutgers.edu
Assistance with unique water quality problems as referred by the local health department or county cooperative extension office



Division of Environmental and Occupational Health Services
Consumer and Environmental Health Services

Cook College
Publication Distribution Center
Dudley Rd.
PO Box 231
New Brunswick, NJ 08903-0231
Phone: (732) 932-9762
Information on a wide variety of water quality issues

Cornell University
Resource Center
7 Cornell Business & Tech. Pk.
Ithaca, NY 14850
Phone: (607) 255-7660
Information on a wide variety of water quality issues

County Office of Rutgers Cooperative Extension
Telephone Directory - Blue pages (under County Government)
Assistance and information on a wide variety of water quality issues, including water use and protection; proper pesticide and fertilizer use and disposal; and NJ certified water testing laboratories

Environmental & Occupational Health Clinical Center
681 Frelinghuysen Rd.
PO Box 1179
Piscataway, NJ 08855-1179
Phone: (732) 445-0123
Physician referrals and consultations on health effects of drinking water contaminants

Environmental & Occupational Health Sciences Inst. (EOHSI)
Resource Center
681 Frelinghuysen Rd.
PO Box 1179
Piscataway, NJ 08855-1179
Phone: (732) 445-0110
Information on a wide variety of environmental health topics

Federal Trade Commission (FTC)
Office of Consumer & Business Ed.
Washington, DC 20580
Phone: (202) 326-3650
Web: <http://www.ftc.gov>
Information on consumer-related water quality topics

International Bottled Water Assn.
113 North Henry St.
Alexandria, VA 22314-2973
Phone: (800) WATER-11
Information on the marketing and quality of bottled water

LLeague of Women Voters
1730 M Street, NW - Suite 1000
Washington, DC 20036
Phone: (202) 429-1965
FAX: (202) 429-0854
Web: <http://www.lwv.org/drinkingwater/default.htm>
Information on drinking water protection; including community involvement workshops

Local or County Health Dept.
Telephone Directory - Blue pages (under Local or County Gov't)
Information and assistance on a wide variety of drinking water issues including health effects of drinking water contamination; public water supply monitoring and regulations; and private well testing and remediation

Local Public Water Co.
Telephone Directory
(You can also check your water bill, or contact your local municipality or health department)
Assistance and information on local drinking water quality

New Jersey Dept. of Health & Senior Services (NJDHSS)
Web: <http://www.state.nj.us/health>

Drinking Water Project
PO Box 369

Trenton, NJ 08625-0369
Phone: (609) 588-3120
Assistance and information on the health effects of drinking water contaminants

ATSDR Project
PO Box 369
Trenton, NJ 08625-0369
Phone: (609) 588-3120
Assistance and information on drinking water contamination from hazardous waste sites

Field Operations Program
PO Box 369
Trenton, NJ 08625-0369
Phone: (609) 588-3122
Information on bottled water, bottled water inspections and registraton requirements

Public Health Sanitation & Safety Program
PO Box 369
Trenton, NJ 08625-0369
Phone: (609) 588-3124
Information on public swimming facilities, including NJ regulations

Infectious & Zoonotic Disease Program
PO Box 369
Trenton, NJ 08625-0369
Phone: (609) 588-7500
Information on the health effects of microorganisms in drinking water

New Jersey Dept. of Environmental Protection (NJDEP)
Web: <http://www.state.nj.us/dep>

Bureau of Safe Drinking Water
PO Box 426
401 East State St., 3rd fl.
Trenton, NJ 08625-0426
Phone: (609) 292-5550
FAX: (609) 292-1654
Information on Federal and State Safe Drinking Water Act Regulations; NJ drinking water standards; public water supply monitoring results; and drinking water treatment devices

Bureau of Water Allocation

PO Box 426

401 East State St., 3rd fl.

Trenton, NJ 08625-0426

Phone: (609) 984-6831

FAX: (609) 633-1231

Information on well permitting and drilling

Office of Quality Assurance

PO Box 424, 9 Ewing St.

Trenton, NJ 08625-0424

Phone: (609) 292-3950

Information on NJ certified water testing laboratories

Office of Environmental Planning

PO Box 418

401 East State St., 7th fl.

Trenton, NJ 08625-0418

Phone: (609) 633-1179

Information on ground water quality planning, wellhead protection, and waste water management

Bureau of Site Remediation

Phone: (609) 984-5862

Information on home water treatment devices

Environmental Claims

Administration

Phone: (609) 633-2947

Information on the remediation of water supplies through the NJ Spill Compensation Fund

Office of Communications

Public Access Center

Phone: (609) 777-DEP3

Information on a wide variety of water quality issues

New Jersey Farm Bureau

168 West State St.

Trenton, NJ 08608

Phone: (609) 393-7163

FAX: (609) 599-1209

Assistance and information for farmers, ranchers, and rural dwellers on a wide variety of water quality issues

New Jersey Public Interest Research Group (NJPIRG)

11 North Willow St.

Trenton, NJ 08608

Phone: (609) 394-8155

Information on wide variety of environmental and consumer issues; and conducts environmental research projects

NJ Community Water Watch

119 Somerset St.

New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Phone: (736) 247-4606

Community-based surface water monitoring and protection

New Jersey Rural Water Assn.

110 West Main St.

Tuckerton, NJ 08087

Phone: (609) 294-1000

FAX: (609) 294-1122

Email: njrwa@juno.com

Information for consumers of small rural water supplies on a wide variety of water quality issues

NSF International

PO Box 130140

Ann Arbor, MI 48113-0140

Phone: (800) NSF-8010

Email: info@nsf.org

Web: <http://www.nsf.org>

Information on the testing and certification of drinking water treatment devices and bottled water

United States Dept. of Agriculture

Natural Resources Conservation Service

1370 Hamilton St.

Somerset, NJ 08873

Phone: (732) 246-1205; Ext. 124

Web: <http://www.nj.nrcs.usda.gov>

Assistance and information on water conservation and quality issues

United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)

ERIC/CSMEE

Phone: (800) 276-0462

Information on a wide variety of water quality issues

National Center for Environmental Publications & Information (NCEPI)

Phone: (800) 490-9198

FAX: (513) 489-8695

Web: <http://www.epa.gov/epahome.html>

Information on a wide variety of water quality issues

National Pesticide

Telecommunications Network (NPTN)

Phone: (800) 858-7378

FAX: (541) 737-0761

Assistance and information on pesticides

ORD Publications

MS G72

26 West MLK Dr.

Cincinnati, OH 45268

Phone: (513) 569-7562

Information on a wide variety of water quality issues

Safe Drinking Water Hotline

Phone: (800) 426-4791

Information on Federal regulations of public water systems, including public drinking water standards

Water Quality Assn.

4151 Naperville Rd.

Lisle, IL 60532-1088

Phone: (800) 749-0234

FAX (630) 505-9637

Web: <http://www.wqa.org>

Information on a variety of water quality issues; product validation of drinking water treatment devices; professional certification program; and advertising code of ethics for industry

Information on Drinking Water Issues

Drinking Water Quality; Standards; Action Guides

- *Standards for Safe Drinking Water in New Jersey* (1994)
- *Federal and New Jersey State Primary and Secondary Drinking Water Standards* (1996)
.....Contact: NJDEP, Bureau of Safe Drinking Water
- *Is Your Drinking Water Safe?* (1994) [810/F-94-002]
- *Citizen Monitoring: Recommendations to Household Well Users* (1990) [570/9-90-006]
- *Citizen Monitoring: Recommendations to Public Water System Users* (1990) [570/9-90-005]
- *Drinking Water From Household Wells* (1990) [570/9-90-013]
- *Secondary Drinking Water Standards - Fact Sheet* (1991) [570/9-91-019FS]
.....Contact: USEPA, Safe Drinking Water Hotline
- *INFOletter: Water Water Everywhere - Is It Safe To Drink?* (1993)
Cost: \$2.00 each or bulk rates available
.....Contact: EOSHI, Resource Center
- *Safety on Tap: A Citizen's Drinking Water Guide* (1987)
Cost: \$7.95 each or bulk rates available
.....Contact: League of Women Voters
- *Drinking Water: A Community Action Guide* (1991)
Cost: \$4.00 each or bulk rates available (plus postage/handling)
.....Contact: CONCERN, Inc.
- *Water Quality: Self-Help Checklist*
.....Contact: New Jersey Farm Bureau
- *Guide to Environmental Issues* (1996) [520/B-94-001]
.....Contact: USEPA, NCEPI

Information on Drinking Water Issues

Health Effects; Specific Drinking Water Contaminants

- *Facts: Lead in Drinking Water* (1997)
- *Facts: Mercury in Drinking Water* (1992)
- *Facts: Microorganisms in Drinking Water* (1997)
- *Facts: Nitrate and Nitrite in Drinking Water* (1997)
- *Facts: Pesticides in Drinking Water* (1992)
- *Facts: Volatile Organic Compounds in Drinking Water* (1997)
- *Parasites and New Jersey Drinking Water: Information on Giardia and Cryptosporidium* (1995)
- *Don't Drink Lead* (11" x 17" poster; 8½" x 11" flyer)
- *Keep Your Baby Safe From Lead* (11" x 17" poster; 8½" x 11" flyer)
.....Contact: NJDHSS, Drinking Water Project
- *Lead in Your Drinking Water* (1993) [810/F-93-001]
- *Lead in School Drinking Water: A Manual For Schools and Daycare Centers* (1989) [570/9-89-017]
- *Lead in Drinking Water Coolers Fact Sheet* (1990) [810/F-90-021]
- *Lead in Drinking Water in Schools and Non-Residential Buildings* (1994) [812/B-94-002]
- *Volatile Organic Chemicals: Are VOCs in Your Drinking Water?* (1989) [570/9-89-EEE]
.....Contact: USEPA, Safe Drinking Water Hotline
- *Iron and Manganese in Household Water* (1989) [329FS6]
Cost: \$2.00 each or bulk rates available
- *Hydrogen Sulfide in Household Water* (1989) [329FS7]
Cost: \$2.00 each or bulk rates available
.....Contact: Cornell University - Resource Center

Information on Drinking Water Issues

- *Removal of Radon from Household Water* (1987)
[520/OPA-87-011]
.....Contact: USEPA, ORD Publications
- *A Homeowner's Guide to Radioactivity in Drinking Water* (1997)
.....Contact: NJDEP, Bureau of Safe Drinking Water
- *Pesticides in Drinking Water Wells* (1990)
.....Contact: USEPA, NCEPI
- *Citizen's Guide to Pest Control and Pesticide Safety* (1995)
[730-K-95-001]
.....Contact: USEPA, NPTN

Water Testing

- *NJ Certified Water Testing Laboratories*
.....Contact: NJDEP, Office of Quality Assurance
- *Drinking Water: What Tests Do I Need?* (1993)
- *Where to Get Your Drinking Water Tested in New Jersey* (1996)
- *Interpreting Drinking Water Quality Analysis: What Do the Numbers Mean?* (1997)
.....Contact: County Office of Rutgers Cooperative Extension
or Cook College - Publication Distribution Center
- *Home Water Testing* (1991) [570/9-91-500]
.....Contact: USEPA, Safe Drinking Water Hotline
- *Water Testing Scams* (1993)
.....Contact: FTC

Information on Drinking Water Issues

Water Treatment

- *Home Water Treatment Units: Filtering Fact From Fiction* (1990)
[570/9-90-HHH]
- *Fact Sheet on Water Chlorination* (1992) [822/F-92-001]
.....Contact: USEPA, Safe Drinking Water Hotline
- *Point of Use Devices - Air Stripping, Activated Alumina, Reverse Osmosis, Activated Carbon, Distillation, Ion Exchange* (1988)
.....Contact: NJDEP, Bureau of Safe Drinking Water
- *Drinking Water Treatment and Conditioning* (1989)
- *Water from Home Wells: Problems and Treatments* (1985)
- *Potable Water: Directions for Disinfecting a Well* (1980)
- *Fluoride Adjusted Public Water Supplies in New Jersey* (1997)
.....Contact: County Office of Rutgers Cooperative Extension
or Cook College - Publication Distribution Center
- *INFOsheet: Fluoridation of Drinking Water* (1990)
Cost: \$.50 each or bulk rates available
.....Contact: EOHSI, Resource Center
- *Guidelines for Purchasing Water Treatment Equipment* (1991)
[329FS1]
Cost: \$2.00 each or bulk rates available
.....Contact: Cornell University - Resource Center
- *Home Water Treatment Units* (1993)
.....Contact: FTC

Information on Drinking Water Issues

Septic Systems

- *Ground Water Protection Practices for Septic Systems* (1992)
.....Contact: NJDEP, Office of Environmental Planning
- *Essentials of Using and Maintaining Your Septic Tank Disposal System* (1996)
- *Septic System Care* (1996)
.....Contact: County Office of Rutgers Cooperative Extension
or Cook College - Publication Distribution Center

Bottled Water

- *Bottled Water Fact Sheet* (1991) [G-011]
Cost: \$1.50
- *Bottled Water: Helpful Facts and Information* (1990) [R-090]
Cost: \$1.75
.....Contact: USEPA, ERIC/CSMEE
- *Questions About Bottled Water? Answers Inside.*
.....Contact: International Bottled Water Association

Ground and Surface Water Protection

- *What's a Watershed?* (1996)
- *What is Groundwater?* (1996)
- *Nonpoint Source Pollution* (1993)
- *The Clean Water Book* (1988)
- *Clean Water Information Series* (1992)
- *Integrated Pest Management* (1996)
- *Groundwater Protection Practices for Unregulated Underground Storage Tanks* (1992)
.....Contact: NJDEP, Office of Environmental Planning